

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TETSUYA YANO ET AL.) : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 10/553,221) : Group Art Unit: 1615
International Appln. No. PCT/JP2004/006296) : Confirmation No. 9077
Filed: April 30, 2004) :
For: POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE-)
CONTAINING MAGNETIC :
STRUCTURE, AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD :
AND USE THEREOF) September 25, 2006

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

Prior to conducting the examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.